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ABSTRACT

Methods, systems, and devices for decontaminating materials
containing biological or biologically derived materials, such
as microorganisms or DNA products, are provided. The meth-
ods, systems, and devices may be used for decontaminating or
sterilizing materials, such as surfaces, including, but not lim-
ited to reducing the number of viable microorganisms on
surfaces. The methods, systems, and devices may further be
used for rendering DNA non-amplifiable in nucleic acid
amplification reactions that synthesize DNA amplification
products.

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